

**TWO U-BOATS
SENT DOWN**

An Armed British Steamer
Gets One, Destroyer
Got the Other

**SIX MEN TAKEN
FROM BOTH BOATS**

The Submarines Were At-
tacking Merchant
Vessels

Copenhagen, Sept. 19.—Two German submarines have been sunk by British naval forces, reports the Bergen correspondent of Tidens Tegn. Six men from the U-boats were captured. An armed British steamer in the North sea sank a German submarine which was shelling a neutral sailing vessel. The second submarine was sunk by a British torpedo boat destroyer while the latter was attacking an armed steamer.

**NO PROPOSALS
FROM AUSTRIA**

Reply to Pope's Offer of Peace Settle-
ment Will Stick Sharply to His
Suggestions.

Amsterdam, Sept. 19.—Austria's reply to the pope's peace proposals, says the Wiener Allgemeine Zeitung, will be handed to the papal nuncio at Vienna on Thursday. The reply will confine itself to a detailed discussion of the pope's suggestions. The report that it will contain new and astonishing peace proposals, the Vienna paper adds, is absolutely at variance with the facts.

BRITISH CASUALTIES.

Killed or Died of Wounds, 135 Officers
and 4,755 Men.

London, Sept. 19.—The casualties in the British ranks, reported for the week ending yesterday, follow: Killed or died of wounds 135 officers and 4,755 men; wounded or missing, 431 officers and 21,843 men.

GREAT NEED OF SHIPS

Within the Next Six Months to Send
Army Requirements.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 19.—Within the next six months the demands of the American army abroad will require the government to divert every available American merchant vessel, coastwise and others, to overseas service, so stated R. B. Stevens, vice chairman of the United States shipping board, before the war convention of American business men world shipping situation will come, said Mr. Stevens, early next spring before the government has begun to turn out vessels in large numbers. The speaker urged business men to go to Washington in large numbers and support the bill now pending to empower President Wilson to suspend provisions of shipping laws so that neutral vessels may be permitted to engage in the coastwise trade. Neutral, he said, are ready to put their tonnage to carry cargoes between American ports whenever the government gives permission.

OCCUPANTS BRUISED

And Automobile Was Wrecked as It
Went over a Bank.

St. Johnsbury, Sept. 19.—A Boston car bearing the number 12996 and containing three persons, two men and a woman, was ditched on a bad hill on the Littleton road late Monday night. The accident happened a few rods from the spot where Elmer M. Fuller was crushed to death Sept. 9 under a car. This is the third automobile accident on the spot in ten days.

The machine was being towed to a St. Johnsbury garage, and at the top of the hill, while going at a rapid rate, the tow-rope broke. The car left the road, turned over and fortunately struck against a tree. This kept it from going down an 80-foot embankment.

The occupants were thrown against the side of the car and were badly bruised, but not seriously injured. The car was wrecked.

**HUNDREDS DEAD
FROM TYPHOON**

Island of Amoy, China, Was Hard Hit—
Watercraft Was Destroyed in
Large Numbers.

Amoy, China, Monday, Sept. 19 (Delayed).—More than 600 natives were killed by a typhoon which struck Amoy without warning at the end of last week. Eighty-five per cent of the watercraft in the harbors nearby were destroyed. The outlying districts cannot be communicated with and it is feared that great damage has been done there. One village on the island of Amoy reported only 16 out of 200 fishing boats saved.

**SEND COMMANDERS
TO BATTLE FRONT**

Those at Head of American Divisional
Training Camps Are to Receive
Instruction.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 19.—Regular and National Guard officers commanding divisional training camps are to be sent to Europe for an observation tour of the battle front, returning to carry on their training duties at the close of the tour. Formal announcement of the plan by the war department is expected.

**CRUDE OIL SUPPLY
IS SUFFICIENT**

A. C. Bedford, President of Standard Oil
Co. of New Jersey So Attended at
War Convention of the American
Chamber of Commerce.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 19.—There is not the slightest danger of a deficiency in the supply either of crude oil or its products, kerosene and gasoline, for the use of the United States or its allies in the war, in the opinion of A. C. Bedford of New York, president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. Mr. Bedford expressed that conviction in an address he delivered here to-day before the war convention of the American Chamber of Commerce.

"America," said Mr. Bedford, "is producing and can produce all that will be needed for these purposes." But he added that "our government should receive the first call upon all petroleum produced, either for itself or as it may designate for the use of our allies in their conduct of the war."

Before reaching this conclusion, Mr. Bedford declared that the vital problem confronting the petroleum industry to-day was to increase the production of crude oil, to induce producers of crude oil to make greater and greater effort toward obtaining a large product.

"The price," he said, "should be sufficiently attractive to induce more and more people to drill wells, thus ensuring a steady supply and offering always the opportunity of finding a great pool which will make the whole situation suddenly easy."

While the oil refining capacity of the country, Mr. Bedford stated, is greater than the present demand, the United States is consuming crude oil at the rate of over 330,000 barrels a year, while the annual production in this country amounts to 312,000 barrels. There was in storage in the United States on July 1 last, however, 164,590,942 barrels of petroleum.

"It will thus appear," added Mr. Bedford, "that, with the stocks above ground and given the present rate of production and consumption, the supply is sufficient to ensure us having enough oil for at least the next five years, provided the production is fairly maintained. So, while the occasion is not one for alarm, it is one for taking intelligent measures toward adequate production of what we need. Such is the situation confronting the petroleum committee appointed by the council of national defense to co-operate with the government in meeting its oil requirements."

This committee, he said, "has recognized that the government requirements should have absolute precedence and that no consideration of costs, convenience or selfish interests should interfere with our giving the government everything it asked of us."

To emphasize his suggestion that the production of crude oil be increased, Mr. Bedford said that this country will require next year at least 55,000,000 barrels of gasoline. "That amount," he declared, "simply cannot be obtained from the quantity of crude petroleum now being produced."

"They tell us the war is to be won in the air. Our country is said to be building large numbers of airplanes. Our allies are building flying machines as fast as they know how. Vital to the very existence of these airplanes is the highest grade of gasoline which can be produced. The prospect is that the present year will call for 8,000,000 barrels of gasoline for the use of our allies in Europe."

Asserting that it would be a great misfortune to adopt any policy that would hamper or handicap the automobile industry as a manufacturing enterprise or the use of automobiles now in possession of the public, Mr. Bedford declared "there should be a campaign of education of automobile users showing them how to obtain the utmost usefulness from their cars with a minimum consumption of gasoline."

**G. O. P. FACTIONS
INDULGE IN RIOT**

A Philadelphia Policeman Killed and
Several Political Workers
Were Wounded.

Philadelphia, Sept. 19.—A riot today in the fifth ward where two factions of the Republican party are bitterly fighting for control resulted in the killing of a policeman and the wounding of several political workers. Primary elections are being held throughout Pennsylvania to-day.

FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION

Branch of National Organization Formed
at St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, Sept. 19.—Fifty men, representing nearly every town in Caledonia county, met at the St. Johnsbury house yesterday and organized a local branch of the Federal Farm Loan association. It was voted to include in the membership applicants from the towns in Caledonia county and a few of the nearby towns in Orleans, Orange, Washington and Essex counties.

The 30 charter members, the first to apply for membership, made applications for federal loans amounting to \$73,530. This makes this association the largest in membership yet formed in Vermont.

The association organized by electing these directors: W. P. Russell of Kirby, A. F. Stoddard of Sutton, Henry Ranne of Concord, Freeman Allen of St. Johnsbury, W. F. Burrington of East Burke, George Smith of East Hardwick. Mr. Russell was elected president, Mr. Burrington vice-president and L. A. Wood of St. Johnsbury secretary and treasurer.

Albert J. Higgins, who is the local appraiser and organizer for this district, explained in detail the purpose of the federal loan act and the methods of its working out.

NORWAY LOSES MORE SHIPS.

Two Men on Each of Two Vessels Were
Lost.

Christiania, Sept. 19.—German submarines have sunk the Norwegian steamships Faeto and Thomas Krag, it was announced at the foreign office to-day. Two men from each vessel lost their lives.

**AGREED ON
WAR CREDITS**

Senate and House Conferees
Make Only Minor
Changes

BILL AUTHORIZES
\$11,538,000,000

The Adoption of the Report
Is Expected by Both
Branches

Washington, D. C., Sept. 19.—An agreement on the war credits bill, authorizing \$11,538,000,000 of new bonds and certificates was reached to-day by the Senate and House conferees, with no change in the issues proposed. Minor changes only were made by the conferees. The adoption of the conference report by the Senate to-morrow and by the House on Friday is planned.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 19.—The \$7,000,000,000 war deficiency bill, carrying huge appropriations for the army, fortifications and shipping board, passed the House yesterday by a unanimous vote. The bill, the largest supply measure in the country's history, now goes to the Senate, where prompt action is expected. It directly appropriates \$4,830,000,000 and authorizes contracts for \$2,314,000,000 additional. The big items include:

Shipping board, \$635,000,000 cash as part of the board's construction program limited to an aggregate of \$1,749,000,000; fortifications, \$1,495,000,000 appropriated and contracts authorized for \$975,000,000 more; naval emergency fund, \$100,000,000; war department emergency fund, \$100,000,000; construction of additional torpedo boat destroyers, \$225,000,000, to start a \$350,000,000 program.

Transportation of the army and its supplies, \$350,000,000; army subsistence, \$175,000,000; quartermaster's supplies, \$100,000,000; clothing and camp equipment, \$350,000,000; horses, \$30,000,000; barracks and quarters, \$49,000,000; medical department, \$100,000,000; engineer department, \$105,000,000; ordnance stores—ammunition, \$30,320,000; small arms target practice, \$13,000,000; ordnance stores and supplies, \$7,000,000; automatic machine rifles, \$200,000,000, and \$118,000,000 more authorized; armored motor cars, \$16,750,000 and \$3,000,000 more authorized.

Aviation, \$35,000,000; naval ordnance and ordnance stores, \$12,446,480; ammunition for vessels, \$40,000,000, and \$15,000,000 more authorized; batteries and outfits for vessels, \$50,000,000 and \$28,000,000 additional authorized; reserve ordnance supplies, \$47,500,000 cash and \$17,500,000 more authorized.

**CAMPS READY
FOR THE MEN**

Four States Will Pour Their Quotas Into
Ayer During To-day; Other New
England States and North-
ern New York Later.

Ayer, Mass., Sept. 19.—Camp Deven's was in readiness to-day for the reception of 40 per cent of the drafted men from New England and northern New York, whose movement toward Ayer was begun this morning. The men due to leave their homes to-day to begin service in the national army were from New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Maine. The men from Connecticut will come to-morrow. Massachusetts, outside of Boston, will send its quota Friday. The New York contingent starts for camp Saturday and the Boston men bring up the rear Sunday.

In a statement last night the war department said the enormous task of obtaining equipment and supplies for the army is moving satisfactorily. Some of the men of the national army may be only partially equipped for some time after they are mobilized, but no attempt will be made to furnish them with full war equipment until the eve of their departure for Europe. Some civilian clothing, such as overcoats, will have to be used for a time, as the clothing industry has not as yet caught up with its work.

With the mobilization of one-half of the 687,000 men of the first call under the selective draft law in progress, the question arises as to whether that number of men will be sufficient to fill call units of the National Guard and national army. There are indications that a deficiency in men will be disclosed when the official reports from all the 32 training camps are available.

Seventeen divisions of the National Guard have been organized, but with the exception of the New York, Pennsylvania and a few others and the 42d division, which will soon embark for France, they are not at maximum war strength. The fighting strength of the 17 divisions under the new tables of organization would be 623,000 men, supplemented by many thousands of auxiliary troops. Whatever deficiencies there are will be supplied promptly from the national army, as the guard will go first to the front.

Since the president called the first 687,000 men of the national army, the signal corps, including the aviation section, has been greatly expanded.

Nearly 100,000 additional men must be transferred to this service alone. The medical corps also has been greatly increased and numerous necessary auxiliary units for immediate duty abroad. It is not unlikely, however, that when the national army divisions are organized many vacancies will be found at the front and it will be necessary either to make a second call on the draft or force or to train incomplete divisions.

Divisions will go to France only at maximum strength.

**FOOD-SAVING PLAN
STARTED IN VERMONT**

Purpose Is to Secure Pledge in 60,000
Families to Abstain from Use
of Certain Foods for a
Limited Period.

A state-wide drive to secure signatures to food conservation pledge cards will be made in Vermont during the week beginning Oct. 21. The pledge campaign is not limited to Vermont, but is nation-wide in its scope, and during the week daily comparisons on a percentage basis of the accomplishment of each commonwealth will be published in the daily press. Within the state similar percentage comparisons will be made between counties so that at the close of each day the relative standing of the 14 subdivisions of Vermont will be known. The purpose of the pledge card is to secure an expression of willingness from every housewife to become a part of the food administration, and to perform a war service the value of which in the opinion of Herbert Hoover and other experts cannot be easily over-estimated.

The national food administration credit Vermont with 60,000 families, and the maximum registration in Vermont that is looked for is 60,000. The state will be thoroughly organized to carry on the work so that on some day between Monday opening food week and Saturday marking its close every housewife will be asked to sign a pledge card.

An executive committee, of which Governor Horace F. Graham is chairman, has been appointed by Mr. Hoover, and has in turn appointed a state committee composed of a man and a woman from each county, who shall in turn appoint district committees, which will sub-divide the work even further, so that personal contact between Mr. Hoover's office in Washington and the public will be gained, through teams in each community which will do the actual soliciting. The members of the state committee are now engaged in appointing their assistants.

At a meeting in the governor's chamber at the State House yesterday afternoon, the following members of the state committee met with Federal Food Administrator James Hartness and Mrs. John E. Weeks, chairman of the Vermont division of the women's committee of the council of national defense, and the whole situation was thoroughly gone over: F. E. Langley, Barre; A. C. Hurd, White River Junction; E. F. Gebhardt, Burlington; E. C. Smith, St. Albans; George M. Powers, Morrisville; J. M. Kelley, Morrisville; Rev. Geo. A. Martin, St. Johnsbury; Juan Robinson, South Hero; March M. Wilson, Randolph; Frank H. Brooks, St. Johnsbury; Benjamin Williams, Proctor; Ruth A. Chalmers, Rutland; Harriet M. Ide, Morrisville; Mrs. A. J. Newman, Lunenburg; Mrs. Gilbert A. Davis, Windsor; Mrs. G. H. Smith, Montpelier; Mrs. C. H. Darling, Mrs. Edward Curtis Smith, St. Albans; Mrs. Edward Bentley Huling, Bennington; Mrs. Harley E. Folsom, Lyndonville; E. M. Saunders, Middlebury; and Charles F. Lowe, Montpelier.

James P. Taylor, secretary of the Greater Vermont association, who has been appointed state organizer by Mr. Hoover, addressed the meeting, laying emphasis on the compelling necessity for food conservation and outlining the plan of campaign. Mr. Taylor will make an endeavor to co-ordinate the efforts of the various county organizations so that the work may be carried on effectively during food week.

There is no intention on the part of the federal food administration to act curtailment in the use of foodstuffs in this country to such a degree that anyone will be lacking in the full measure of nourishment. The aim is to make possible the shipment to our allies in Europe certain commodities, such as wheat, beef, pork and sugar, because these contain the most concentrated nutritive value in the least shipping space. Americans merely are asked to substitute other valuable foods which exist in great abundance for these commodities. The substitutes are not to be used to continue in the field. Signing the pledge card enrolls the individual in the national conservation army, and as a sign of enrollment a government card will be given in each home that has enrolled itself as a member of the food administration of the nation.

Just before the time came for the departure of the train, Frank E. Goulette of Washington, one of the men in the original 19, received his exemption papers and was allowed to return home. This necessitated calling the first alternate, who was Daniel Eli Miner, whose postoffice address is Barre.

**FIGHT CONVICTION
OF ROBERT WARM**

His Counsel to Ask for Stay of Execu-
tion of Sentence of Man Found
Guilty of Manslaughter.

St. Albans, Sept. 19.—C. G. Austin and Son, counsel for Robert Warm, who was convicted last night of manslaughter in connection with the death of 14-year-old Jennie Hemmingsway of St. Albans on the night of August 12, stated this morning that they would ask for a stay of sentence as new evidence had come to their attention which they felt warranted them in asking for a new trial. After the verdict had been rendered last night in Franklin county court.

After the verdict had been rendered last night in Franklin county court, Warm turned to Mr. Austin and said: "I want you to know, Mr. Austin, that I didn't do this."

The jury was out two hours and twelve minutes on the case.

PAID HEAVY FINE

For Striking Barre Motorists With
a Whip in Waterbury.

Philip Shonio of Waterbury was arraigned in Montpelier city court last night on the charge of breach of the peace in striking with a whip Arthur E. and H. L. Campbell, Barre motorists who were passing him in Waterbury last Saturday. The respondent pleaded guilty and was fined \$25, with costs of \$12.29, which he paid. State Attorney Davis appeared for the state, and George Dale of Waterbury made a statement in behalf of the respondent, telling of his good conduct previous to the present trouble.

Barre Quarryman in Bankruptcy.

Rutland, Sept. 19.—Charles F. Dobson, a Barre quarryman, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, having liabilities of \$253 and assets of \$387.50 all of which is claimed exempt.

**ORANGE CO. MEN
OFF FOR CAMP**

Nineteen Soldiers Given En-
thusiastic Send-off at
So. Royalton

CONCERT AND DANCE
IN THEIR HONOR

Frank E. Goulette Got Ex-
emption Papers at the
Last Minute

So. Royalton, Sept. 19.—The 19 men of Orange county ordered to report at the national cantonment, Ayer, Mass., left here over the Central Vermont railroad at 10:45 this forenoon, amid the cheering of a large number of people who had gathered to see them off. The departure followed a round of entertainment provided by the people of So. Royalton, who took upon themselves the obligation of giving a rousing send-off to the boys of their neighboring county. So. Royalton, which is in Windsor county, was chosen as the most accessible entraining point from Chelsea, the county seat of Orange county.

The selected men came here yesterday afternoon, and they were met last night by the So. Royalton band, after which they and the crowd went to Knight's hall, where an entertainment was given in honor of the departing soldiers. Judge Whitman presided over the meeting, and there was speaking by various persons, including the Revs. Mosley, Barnes and Haseltine, the last-named from Chelsea. Interspersed with the speaking was music by the band.

At the close of the public meeting, Dewey's orchestra played for a dance, which continued to an early hour this morning, the selected men being the guests of honor here, as at all other gatherings. A splendid time was enjoyed by all. The selected men spent the remainder of the night at the So. Royalton house, and this forenoon assembled at the railroad station to await the arrival of the train from the north.

The men who left were: Fred James Smith of Groton, Philip Harry Hoyt of Sharon, George Bell of Newbury, Francis Watson Vinton of Roxbury, Leon Bohannon of Washington, Eugene W. Ordway of East Corinth, Alfred Morrie of East Barre, Frank E. Bonnett of North Treford, Robert W. Hall of Topsham, Lee Wilson Grant of South Fairlee, Edward E. Grant, Jr., of Bradford, Ralph W. Burgin of Groton, Watson William LaRose of Randolph, Jesse E. Mahan of East Randolph, Carl Wesley Fitts of Corinth, Leon Lusco of West Fairlee, Daniel Eli Miner of Barre R. F. D., William Henry Smith of No. Haverhill, N. H., and Leslie Clark Griffin of Fairlee.

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As the men entered the train, they showed their appreciation of the entertainment afforded them by giving three cheers for their entertainers.

BANQUET AT BURLINGTON.

Col. Arthur Thayer, Commander at Fort
Ethan Allen, Present.

Burlington, Sept. 19.—The drafted men of Chittenden county were given a banquet at the New Sherwood house last evening. Among those present were Colonel Arthur Thayer, the commanding officer at the Post, Colonel William C. Rivers, Seymour C. Loomis, a prominent member of the Connecticut bar, Mayor J. Holmes Jackson, Dr. C. J. Russell, chairman of the local board of exemption, the Rev. G. W. Davenport, who offered prayer, John M. Boutwell, commander of Stannard Post, Colonel John H. Mimms, and General Theodore S. Peck.

GIVEN A BANQUET.

Windsor County's Men Were Honor
Guests Last Night.

White River Junction, Sept. 19.—A patriotic reception attended by 500 persons took place here last evening in honor of the 65 young men of Windsor county, members of the drafted army.

At 7:30 there was a band concert followed by a program in the opera house. George E. Mann of Quebec presided and the president of Dartmouth college, Lieut. Stewart Cheney of Co. D, 1st Vermont Regiment, James Hartness of Springfield and Karl A. Pember of Woodstock.

SHEPARD-WILBUR.

Hardwick and Woodbury Young People
Married in Barre.

Miss Ethyl H. Wilbur, daughter of D. C. Wilbur of Woodbury, was married to Oscar L. Shepard of Hardwick at Barre Tuesday evening, Sept. 18. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. G. Lipsky, pastor of the Hedding Methodist church. Mr. and Mrs. Shepard will go to Hardwick to stay temporarily, but the groom expects to enter government service.

**PERMIT NINE TONS
ON BARRE BRIDGES**

City Council Fixed Maximum in Award-
ing Permit to W. A. Bradford to
Operate a Heavy Truck.

A maximum weight of nine tons, including weight of the car as well as the load, was fixed by the city council last evening in granting W. A. Bradford a permit to operate his new automobile truck about the streets and over the bridges of Barre. There is a likelihood that the maximum will apply to all heavy motor trucks, inasmuch as the application of Mr. Bradford for a permit, in compliance with No. 17 of the public statutes, furnished an opportunity for fixing a load limit that may apply to all trucks of the heavier type. No one appeared to protest against the granting of the permit when the public hearing began at 8 o'clock, although Mr. Bradford, N. M. Nelson and R. L. Clark, truck owners, were present.

The hearing opened the way for a brief discussion of bridge conditions and in the motion, offered by Alderman Rossi and seconded by Alderman Milne, to grant the permit, the introduction of the nine-ton limit feature was supplemented by the provision that load and car must not exceed the load limit fixed by the street committee for each bridge. Which means that the street department and the city engineer are to combine forces in designating a maximum load limit for each bridge in the city. Testimony was offered to show that the Granite street bridge is probably incapable of bearing up heavy loads of granite and the impression prevailed that the Ayers street bridge is not the rugged structure that it used to be. Mr. Bradford intimated that he was not anxious to send a heavily laden car over either bridge. He described his motor car as three and a half ton truck, which had borne up to a six-ton load as a test. City Clerk Mackay stated that County Supervisor R. C. Currier had been designated by S. B. Bates, state highway commissioner, to represent the state at the hearing, and that the highway department did not wish to demand any special regulations in the matter of granting the permit.

The motion fixing the load limit and granting the permit was not opposed. August produced a bumper crop of babies, according to the monthly report of Dr. J. W. Stewart, secretary of the board of health, whose itemized statement referred to 31 births in as many days. The division by sexes bears out the oft-repeated assertion that male children preponderate in war time, for there were 18 potential soldiers in the crop of infants. There were eight cases of polio and one of whooping cough during the month. Fourteen deaths were due to the following causes: Cancer 4, tuberculosis 3, bronchitis, rupture of the liver, arterio-sclerosis, epilepsy, accidental, enteritis and premature birth. The report was accepted, as was that of Overseer William McDonald of the charity department, whose financial statement for August referred to an income of \$1,058.82, including appropriations and earnings, and an outlay of \$1,044.86, spent for rents, cash allowances, shoes and clothing, mileage, fuel and office supplies.

Sticking close to its job is one of the favorite pastimes of the street committee just now and the good work begun a fortnight ago was continued last evening when a few more overdue reports were presented. They were of the following nature: Recommended that needed repairs on Elliston street be made; Circle street repairs already made; application of Louis Lanciault, extension of surface sewer 125 feet recommended. In the matter of the petition for a highway extension to the Sibley property of Willey street, the committee reported that the highway has not been laid out or accepted. It is probable that a public hearing on the request will be held. A bill presented by Thomas Stacy, said to have been contracted on Maple avenue, was dismissed on the recommendation of the committee.

Building permits were issued as follows, after applications had been examined and described by the inspector: Mrs. F. B. Nichols, to reshingle North Seminary property; B. P. Shadrach, to erect a store building on Brook street; E. M. Eastman, to remodel house at 143 Washington street; G. Vicari, to reshingle on Center street; Gasparello Bros., to erect a surface cut shed on West Second street; L. G. Rizzi, to reshingle house at Comol street; J. C. Brown, to erect a compressor room annex on Granite street; W. D. Mower, to erect garage at 15 West Patterson street. Arthur Barber was granted permission to move a henhouse from Summer street to Richardson road with the reservation that conditions attending the transfer prove satisfactory to the building inspector.

The city clerk reported progress in a conference with an attorney representing the Central Vermont railroad relative to delinquent taxes. A resolution appropriating \$1300 to the city buildings account and \$1000 to the health department was read a second time and adopted. The following warrants were approved for payment: Street department payroll, \$657.94, street, sprinkling, state highway, bridge and culvert, health, surface sewer, sewer and sidewalk accounts, water department payroll, \$67.95; fire department payroll, \$130.96; police department payroll, \$136.41; G. A. Bemis, \$18, services as janitor; L. G. Lougee, \$48.75, assisting engineer; S. N. Parker, \$9.35, harness repairs; N. M. Nelson, \$15, mowing grass; Kempton mills, \$189.71, feed; Concrete & Steel Co., \$446.12, cement; J. C. DeBrune, \$1,020.51, to apply on paving contract.

President Loranger of the board of aldermen handled the meeting in the temporary absence of Mayor Glysson, who arrived in time to preside at the hearing on the auto permit. The council expects to attend in a body the public meeting in the opera house Friday evening, when the differences between the city government and the traction company are to be aired as the result of arrangements for a conference made by the Barre Board of Trade.

James Duncan, president of the Granite Cutters' International association, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, and a member of the Root commission which visited Russia recently, is to visit Barre in the near future, according to plans which are being perfected by the Central Labor union of this city and vicinity. Moreover, citizens of this section will be privileged to get their information from Russia first hand, as Mr. Duncan has consented to speak in the Barre opera house on the evening of Friday, Oct. 12, Columbus day. "The Soul of Russia" is the topic to be handled by the eminent labor leader, and it goes without saying that his hearers will receive the benefit of his observations while acting as an ambassador extraordinary in the newest republic.

A letter received from Mr. Duncan to-day stated that he would arrive in Barre on the afternoon of Oct. 12, to remain until Sunday morning. President Alex. Ironside of the Central Labor union has been in correspondence with the granite cutters' head, and something in the way of a reception is planned for Mr. Duncan upon his arrival or during his brief sojourn here. President Duncan sends fraternal greetings to the union men of Barre and betrays the keenest anticipation over his projected visit. He has not been in this locality since his appearance at the Labor day celebration in the Ayers street park in 1914, at which time he spoke forcefully concerning the labor movement in America.

FOUND HIM IN NAVY

So Officer Recommended Cancellation of
Probation.

Probation Officer Charles A. Smith started to look up the whereabouts of John Francis, a probationer who had failed to report, and found that the man had enlisted in the navy. Whereupon the officer recommended that the probation be cancelled. Francis came from Middlesex.

**HOLD AUTOPSY
ON TWO BODIES**

Mr. and Mrs. Grant L. Prentiss
of St. Albans Dead
from Revolver Wounds

HAD QUARRELED,
BOARDER SAID

The Theory Is That Prentiss
Shot His Wife in
Rage

St. Albans, Sept. 19.—Drs. B. H. Stone and C. F. White arrived in St. Albans this morning for the purpose of holding an autopsy on the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Grant L. Prentiss, the former of whom is said to have shot his wife and then himself. The autopsy on Mr. Prentiss' body was performed this morning and on Mrs. Prentiss' this afternoon. Besides these doctors, State Attorney W. R. McFeeters and Drs. A. W. B. Arnold and S. W. Paige were present.

The tragedy was discovered when a boarder, Fred W. Watson, returned to the house and saw Mrs. Prentiss unconscious at the supper table. Watson says that when he left the house he heard Prentiss telling his wife that she was not to go downtown that evening; but he did not hear more, as he left to go after the milk. It is said that Prentiss had been drinking heavily of late. A revolver with two shells exploded was found under the bed in Prentiss' room, where he was found.

Mrs. Prentiss was shot from behind, the bullet going through one cheek. She would have been 35 years old in November. Mr. Prentiss was 41 last January.

Sheriff G. C. Holmes was at his home on North Main street when he received the call. He phoned Dr. W. J. Upton of Bank street, started out in his car, met Dr. Upton at the corner of Brainerd and Messenger streets, and on their way picked up Deputy Sheriff L. P. Martin and Policeman Patrick Fitzgerald.

The officers found Mrs. Prentiss at